

REMARKS

Claims 17-20, 24, 26-33, 35, 38-77, 80-82, 84-87 are pending in the present application; claims 21-23, 25, 34, 36, 37, 78, 79, 83, and 88-103 have been withdrawn. Claims 1-16 were previously cancelled. Claims 17, 24, 30, 33, 38, 39, 41, 48, 50, 66, 69, 81, 82, 84 have been amended herein. No new matter has been added.

Claims 41-43 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as assertedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Applicants have amended claim 41 to more clearly recite that which Applicants regard as the invention, and therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 41-43 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

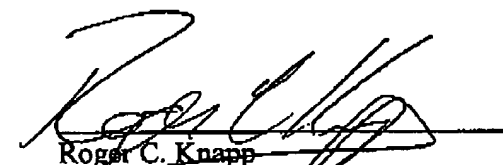
Claims 17, 18, 20, 24, 26-33, 35, 38-43, 48, 50-61, 66-71, 74-77, 81, and 82 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as assertedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,891,192 B2 to Chen et al. (hereinafter "Chen"). Claims 19, 44-47, 49, 62-65, 72, 73, 80, and 84-87 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as assertedly being unpatentable over Chen. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Applicants have amended independent claims 17, 50, and 81 to recite limitations not disclosed in Chen. Claims 18-20, 24, 26-33, 35, 38-49, 51-77, 80, 82, and 84-87 depend from and further limit independent claims 17, 50, and 81, respectively, and accordingly, it is also respectfully requested that the rejections of dependent claims 18-20, 24, 26-33, 35, 38-49, 51-77, 80, 82, and 84-87 be withdrawn as well.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance and request that the Examiner pass the case to issuance. If the Examiner should have any questions, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the address below. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, in the event that there are any fees due, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,

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